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SUBJECT: JERUSALEM POST: U.S. HOLDS UP NIGHT-SIGHT EQUIPMENT

1. THE JERUSALEM POST MARCH 30 CARRIED THE FOLLOWING STORY
FROM ITS WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT HEADLINED "U.S. HOLDS UP
NIGHT-SIGHT EQUIPMENT."

BEGIN TEXT:

2. PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER HAS GIVEN FINAL APPROVAL TO THE
SALE OF AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF TANKS AND HOWITZERS TO
ISRAEL, BUT IS STILL HOLDING UP FINAL APPROVAL OF SOPHISTICATED
FLIR NIGHT-SIGHT EQUIPMENT.

3. ACCORDING TO INFORMED SOURCES HERE, THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION
IS STILL DEBATING WITH ISRAEL WHICH FLIR SYSTEM TO PROVIDE--
THE SOPHISTICATED SYSTEM THAT ISRAEL WANTS, OR A LESS SO-
PHISTICATED SYSTEM THAT THE U.S. WOULD PREFER TO SUPPLY.

4. THE FLIR SYSTEM, TANKS AND THE HOWITZERS ARE THREE OF
THE FOUR ARMS SALES FORMER PRESIDENT GERALD FORD PROMISED
TO ISRAEL LAST OCTOBER. THE FOURTH ITEM, CBU-72
CLUSTER BOMBS, WAS VETOED FOR SALE TO ISRAEL BY
CARTER SHORTLY AFTER HE TOOK OFFICE.

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5. ISRAELI OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN SAYING ALL ALONG THAT
THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM ABOUT GETTING THE FLIR SYSTEM,
BUT IT NOW APPEARS THAT WASHINGTON AND JERUSALEM ARE
NOT IN AGREEMENT ON WHICH SOPHISTICATED SYSTEM SHOULD
BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ISRAEL. THE GOVERNMENT HERE IS
STILL STUDYING THE ISRAELI REQUEST, ALONG WITH OTHER

OUTSTANDING FOREIGN ARMS REQUESTS.

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